

Hunting and Trapping

Emergency Order

Alaska Department
of Fish and Game

Under the Authority of AS 16.05.060

Emergency Order No. 03-04-17

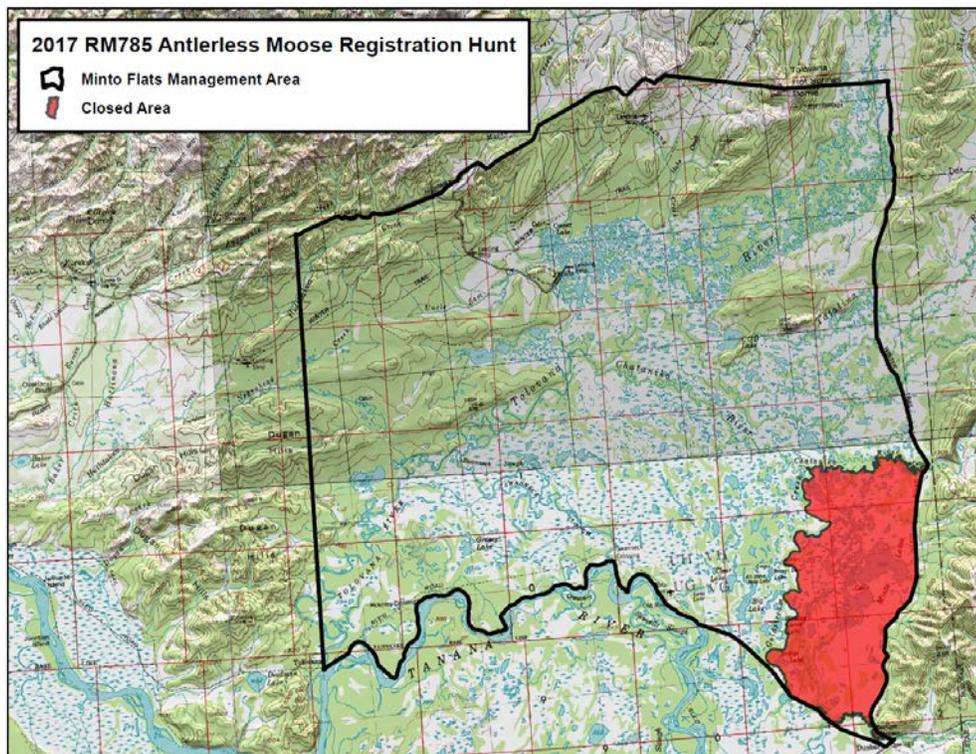
Issued at: Fairbanks, Alaska
October 3, 2017

Effective Date: 12:01 AM
October 15, 2017

Expiration Date: June 30, 2018
unless superseded by subsequent
emergency order

EXPLANATION:

This emergency order closes that portion of the state registration permit hunt RM785 that lies south of the Chatanika River, west of the Dunbar Trail and east and north of Goldstream Creek to the taking of antlerless moose in the Minto Flats Management Area in Game Management Unit 20B. All other moose hunting regulations in Unit 20B are unaffected by this emergency order.



REGULATION:

Therefore, the following regulations in **5AAC 85.045(a)(18), HUNTING SEASONS AND BAG LIMITS FOR MOOSE**, are superseded by this emergency order, and the following provisions are in effect for hunting moose:

Units and Bag Limits	Resident Open Season (Subsistence and General Hunts)	Nonresident Open Season
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Unit 20(B), that portion within the Minto Flats Management Area south of the south bank of the Chatanika River from its intersection with the east side of the Winter Cat Trail (Dunbar Trail), then west along the south bank of the Chatanika River to its confluence with Goldstream Creek, then southerly along the east and north bank of Goldstream Creek to the east side of the Dunbar Trail, then north along the east side of the Dunbar Trail to the south bank of the Chatanika River.

RESIDENT HUNTERS:

1 bull; or

Aug. 21- Aug. 27
(Subsistence hunt only)

1 bull with spike-fork antlers or 50-inch antlers or antlers with 3 or more brow tines on one side

Sept. 8–Sept. 25

NONRESIDENT HUNTERS

1 bull with 50-inch antlers or antlers with 4 or more brow tines on one side by drawing permit only; up to 8 permits may be issued

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Unit 20(B), the remainder of that portion within the Minto Flats Management Area.

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RESIDENT HUNTERS:

1 bull; or	Aug. 21–Aug. 27 (Subsistence hunt only)	
1 bull with spike-fork antlers or 50-inch antlers or antlers with 3 or more brow tines on one side; or	Sept. 8–Sept. 25	
1 antlerless moose by registration permit only	Oct. 15–Feb. 28 (Subsistence hunt only)	

NONRESIDENT HUNTERS

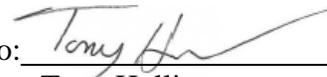
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All other moose hunting regulations in Unit 20(B) remain unchanged and are not affected by this emergency order.

Sam Cotten
Commissioner

By delegation to:



Tony Hollis
Wildlife Biologist

JUSTIFICATION:

In 2012, the Board of Game authorized an antlerless moose registration hunt in this portion of Game Management Unit 20B during October 15 through February 28, unless closed by Emergency Order. The Alaska Department of Fish and Game set a quota of 30 antlerless moose for the 2017–2018 winter hunt (RM785). A majority of the harvest over the last several years has been taken in this region of Minto Flats and the department would like to prevent localized overharvest in this area and spread the harvest to other portions of Minto Flats that continue to have high densities of moose.

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